

250 BOYS IN PERIL.

Dormitory of the Balmville Convent Burned This Morning.

All the inmates Asleep When a Milkman Saw the Fire.

Rapid and Skillful Work Results in Saving Every Life.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
NEWARK, Dec. 1.—A large four-story building, known as the Children's Department of the Convent of Our Lady of Mercy at Balmville, a suburb of this city, was destroyed by fire this morning.

A milkman making his morning rounds at daybreak saw flames pouring out of the east window of the first story. There were 250 boys asleep on the third and fourth floors.

The building is 100 feet long and 50 wide, with an annex.

The whole eastern end seemed to the milkman to be aflame. He alarmed the fourteen Sisters who were asleep in the convent, which is a separate building, and they hurried to the rescue of the sleeping boys. There appears to have been no watchman on duty.

Two female nurses and a man who had charge of the boys were soundly sleeping when the Sisters came into the building to get out the boys.

The Sisters as well as the children had been instructed what to do in case of fire. They went to every room in the building known to be occupied and aroused the sleepers.

Smoke was pouring into some of the dormitories. Some of the little fellows were only three years old, yet there was no panic.

The building had fire-escapes, and in a very few moments all were out of danger.

The larger boys and the Sisters carried out the smaller children. Many of them had nothing on but their night-shirts, but most of them saved their clothes.

Nothing except some benches and tables was saved.

The children without clothes were taken into the homes of the neighbors at once. The Sisters say that the children had scarcely got out of the building before the flames had spread over every part of it. Nothing but the walls were left.

The chapel and library were in this building also. The loss is estimated at \$50,000 insured.

IN THE SPEAKERSHIP FIGHT.

Mr. Springer Calls Portraits of Leaders to His Aid.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The present campaign among those actively engaged in the Speakership fight, and not yet closed, is that the gentleman named will show his full strength in the first ballot and will never give any higher.

They all acknowledge that he is now in the lead.

But they declare that after the first ballot one other candidate will grow surprisingly and will eventually snatch "the prize."

As yesterday, so today the Springer boom is one of the features of the fight.

The man from Illinois has decorated his apartment with pictures of all the Democrats who are considered greatest among the great, and is holding open doors for the disciples of all the party leaders.

Batch, of Missouri, brought himself and his cohorts here last night and added pictures to the fray. He is credited with twelve votes at present.

Seven out of eight Ohio members, arrived up to this morning, pronounced for Crisp.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—There will this evening be a meeting of the Indiana delegation to consider Mr. Dalton's canvass for the Clerkship, but it would not be surprising if there should be an informal discussion over the Speakership.

Maryland and New England have also decided to hold state and section caucuses, the result of the caucus on Cummings and the result of the caucus on the former about the end of the week.

Mr. McMillin said today that he saw no reason to change his opinion that the fight would be a long one, in which case his strength would increase, and that he felt that matters were going along satisfactorily.

The arrival of Judge Hoffman, of Indiana, and the announcement of his presence in the Speakership are awaited with some interest. The friends of Mr. Mills express more confidence than those of any one else of securing his support.

FUSILLADED BY A PRIEST.

He Fired Three Shots Among a Gang of Workmen.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)
ORANGE, N.J., Dec. 1.—There was a most exciting scene in the streets of Orange at 2 o'clock this morning. Father Kirwan, of St. Mary's Church, East Orange, fired three pistol shots at a gang of workmen who were erecting a pole on Main street for the use of the electric system of the Newark Passenger Railway Company.

The priest is opposed to the line. He had refused the Company permission to erect a pole in front of his premises. Therefore the railway company decided to put the pole up in the nighttime when the town was asleep. They put their men to work at 2 o'clock, and suddenly three pistol shots rang out in the air and the frightened men hastily stopped work. No one was hurt.

FIRE MARSHAL CALLED IN.
Incendiary Suspected in a Harlem Flat-House Fire.

Fire was discovered at 1:30 o'clock this morning in the hallway on the third floor of the five-story brownstone flat-house 320 East One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, owned by Abraham Yont, of 115 East One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street.

The fire was started under suspicious circumstances and is thought to be a case of incendiary.

GALLIVAN'S JURY COMPLETED.

The Slayer of James Cummings on Trial for Murder.

Cab-Driver Hurley Tells the Story of the Tragedy.

The work of getting a jury to try Livery-Stable Keeper Michael J. Gallivan for murder, in Part I, of the Court of General Sessions, was completed by the addition of William F. Howe as the twelfth man. The other eleven are:

Albert C. Innis, clerk, 42 West Sixty-fifth street; Thomas Kelly, taxidermist, 18 Bond street; James M. Simpson, butcher, 83 West Eighty-seventh street; Loren W. Fuller, insurance, 247 West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street; Olan D. Stevens, contractor, 14 South street; Joseph W. Hamburger, 3 West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street; Frank D. Hunter, florist, Fleetwood and Tremont avenues; Gilbert D. Case, hangings, 4 East Twentieth street; David Pettigrew, clerk, 230 East One Hundred and Seventeenth street; Carl F. Spess, restaurant, 2 Bond street; and Simon Rosenblatt, boxes, 61 Crosby street.

Gallivan's case has attracted a great deal of attention. He shot and killed James Cummings, and came very near murdering Edward Hurley, who is the principal witness against him, in the same way.

Gallivan keeps a stable at 121 West Forty-fifth street, where Cummings and Hurley were employed as stablemen. Gallivan discharged them, and on the day the tragedy occurred the men had called to demand their wages.

Hurley claims that instead of money they got abuse, and that when they refused to leave the office until paid Gallivan drew a revolver and deliberately shot both him and Cummings. Hurley recovered after four weeks in the hospital.

Gallivan claims that he was attacked with a baton by the men, and he will plead self-defense. The coroner's jury acquitted him, and Capt. Kilgus, who was then captain of the West Forty-seventh street station, Gallivan's friend, came in for a great deal of unfavorable criticism because certain witnesses were not produced at the time.

Hurley was the first witness today. He is now concluding his story. William Kempf, Tuxedo Park.

This is the story he told: On Christmas Day a man named McCarthy and myself went around to the stable to get the money. Gallivan said: "Get out of here or I'll put you out."

"Then he grabbed a cane from a man named Dunlap and chased me into the street. I walked a block or two and met Cummings. Gallivan told me to go back. We both went back.

"Cummings demanded his money. Gallivan called him a name and said as he had a pistol in his hand. Cummings wouldn't go, and they got into a row.

"They grappled, and the first thing I saw was a pistol in Gallivan's hand. Cummings wouldn't go, and they got into a row.

"Mr. Howe produced a baton, an ugly-looking weapon about three feet long and four inches thick, and asked Hurley: "Did you see anything?"

"I did not," the witness replied. "Cummings had no weapon at all."

"You swear you did not?"

"I swear."

"And so you also swear that you did not call Gallivan a name and say 'send him to the hospital'?"

Hurley leaned forward. His face grew red, his lips quivered and he shouted back at his questioner:

"I never did any such thing. Mr. Howe."

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ON MAN-O'-WAR'S MAN ROCK.

The Freight Steamer Pequot Stove a Hole in Her Bow.

Towed to Greenpoint to Prevent Her Foundering in Midstream.

The Providence and Stonington Steamship Company's freight steamer Pequot, which left Providence, R. I., at 7:30 o'clock last night bound for this city with a valuable cargo of general merchandise, struck the Man-o'-War's Man Rock in the East River at 10:15 o'clock this morning, and smashed a big hole in her starboard bow.

Water rushed into her hold very rapidly, but owing to the prompt assistance rendered by several tugboats the steamer was saved from sinking. She lies now on Pottery beach, Greenpoint, half full of water, where it was found necessary to tow her to prevent her from becoming a total wreck.

The accident was witnessed by several hundred people, who were on two Hunter's Point ferry-boats and the steamboat Idlewild from Glen Cove. The Pequot, according to the statements of several passengers on the Idlewild, was in the East River at 10:15 o'clock this morning, and smashed a big hole in her starboard bow.

The Idlewild was well in the western channel and her pilot had turned the nose of his boat towards the Thirty-first street wharf when the Pequot was noticed to have veered towards the southeast, heading directly for Man-o'-War's Man Rock.

Two ferry-boats of the Hunter's Point line stopped in mid-stream to allow the Pequot passage-way, but before the steamer had continued very far on her course she ran on the half-submerged and dangerous reef. The crash was heard by the passengers on the Idlewild and the ferry-boats.

The Pequot was brought to a full stop and the crew rushed up on deck. It soon became apparent that the steamer was filling fast and her whistle was blown for assistance.

The water in the hold shifted the cargo and the steamer listed over on her starboard side. Three tugs and a Chapman wrecking steamer came to the rescue and towed the Pequot out of the reef and to Pottery beach.

At the office of the Providence and Stonington Steamship Company, 107 West Warren street, it was said that Agent Isaac O'Brien had been notified by Capt. Hazard of the Pequot.

It could not be understood how the accident happened, and it was stated that Capt. Hazard must have taken care to avoid a collision.

The Pequot was to have sailed for Providence tonight. She is a wooden propeller steamer, 250 feet long, 20 feet wide, and carried a crew of thirty-nine men. Her cargo is valued at \$200,000. The steamer is eighteen years old and was built in Stonington, Conn., eight years ago.

The Pequot was formerly called the Thetis, and was engaged in the Sound trade, carrying passengers and freight.

The change of name took place when she was rebuilt.

STATE CANVASSING BOARD.

Its Meeting Called for Tomorrow Morning at Albany.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
ALBANY, Dec. 1.—Secretary of State Frank Rice today issued a call for a meeting of the State Board of Canvassers in the office of the Secretary of State at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The Board is composed of the Secretary of State, Rice, Comptroller Wemple, Attorney-General Bogart, Treasurer Danforth and State Engineer Bogan.

Deputy Secretary of State Benedict said today that the State Board of canvassers met on Dec. 3 last year and are always called together as soon as the returns are tabulated.

"Congressmen Curtis of St. Lawrence; Chapman of Brooklyn and Little of New York, have their certificates so they will be enabled to take part in the election of a speaker of the House of Representatives next Monday and also in the drawing of seats."

"We have notified the attorneys of Sherwood and Derby (Rep.) candidates for Senator of the meeting to-morrow, as they thought they might wish to be heard."

WIFE MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Mysterious Double Crime of a Springfield Landlord.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 1.—George E. Barr, proprietor of the Waverley Hotel, and his wife were found dead last night and were killed by a bullet fired from a revolver.

Barr was dead on the floor of the sitting room on the second floor of the hotel this morning.

His body was lying in a pool of blood. He was wearing a dark suit and a white shirt. His wife was lying on the floor next to him. She was wearing a dark dress and a white blouse.

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SWINDLED BY TWO BROTHERS.

A Loan Broker Causes the Arrest of His Young Clerks.

They Acknowledge Their Theft and Tell How They Stole.

Locked up at Police Headquarters to-day are Andrew and Milton Brown, brothers, who were arrested yesterday by Detective Sergts. Dehan and Heideberg, charged with swindling their employer, Robert Bicket, a broker at 292 Broadway, to the extent of \$400.

The brothers were accused of having money on "chattel mortgages" and advances money to persons who give a lien on their salaries.

When any person made application for a loan, one of the brothers was sent out to investigate the applicant's story and see if the risk was safe. If he reported that it was a safe risk, the loan was made. The Browns drew up all the papers, and usually paid over the money to the borrowers.

During a month past Bicket received several complaints from persons who wanted to borrow money that no attention had been paid to their applications. Looking into the matter, Bicket discovered that, according to his books, the persons who had been given money had not repaid him, and the mortgages and liens had not been taken up.

When the brothers were taken into custody, they were given a full and complete examination. It was found that they had stolen \$400 from Bicket.

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WAS SIGNED UNDER DURESS.

Police Board Asked to Reconsider Goodwin's Resignation.

Lawyer Louis J. Grant to-day argued a motion before the Police Commissioners for the reinstatement of Roundsmen John W. Goodwin, who was forced to resign from the Police Department on Aug. 13, 1890.

Goodwin was charged with his wife out driving, and on their way home his rig was upset and the occupants thrown out.

A policeman, not knowing who Goodwin was, arrested him on a charge of being drunk. When he was taken to the station-house, he pleaded, for his release, as she said he was not drunk.

Her pleadings were in vain, for Goodwin was hustled into a cell where he remained for an hour and a half. Then he was taken before Sergt. Magan, who asked Goodwin to sign his name to a resignation.

He did so, but after his name he began to write "under protest." He had got as far as "under protest" when Sergt. Magan took the paper away from him.

The resignation was sent to the Police Board and accepted by order of Capt. Carpenter, who was captain of the precinct at the time. Sergt. Magan had scratched out the letters "under protest" and added in their place the word "resignation."

The case was brought before the Supreme Court by Lawyer Grant and Judge Brady, who agreed in issuing a peremptory mandamus compelling the resignation to be rescinded.

The general term then took up the case and reversed the decision of the Supreme Court, holding that although the resignation was illegal, because it had been forced or altered, the matter should have been brought before the Police Board at first.

Lawyer Grant produced the affidavit of Roundsmen Goodwin, and the papers of the Supreme Court, and asked the Board to rescind its acceptance of the resignation because it was obtained under duress.

MYSTERY IN A FEVER HOSPITAL.

One of the Patients Dies of a Fractured Skull.

There was much mystery in the Health Department to-day over the death, under suspicious circumstances, of a patient in the Riverside Hospital on North Brothers Island, where persons afflicted with contagious diseases are treated.

Among the certificates of death which passed through Dr. Nagle's hands this morning was one of a patient in this hospital. The cause of death was given as suspected fracture of the skull.

This statement interested Dr. Nagle, as it had from any time natural causes would have to be reported to the Coroner. Dr. Nagle laid the matter before Register Tracy, and the latter consulted with Sanitary Superintendent Ewing.

Dr. Ewing is in charge of the Riverside Hospital.

It was learned that the dead man was a scurvy fever patient, but that death had been caused by a fractured skull.

How he received the injury is not known. It is likely that the case will be referred to the